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DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Public Notice of Proposed Action

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes. The Administrator has received an application for a major modification of water pollution control discharge permit # NEV90016 from the following applicant:

TravelCenters of America
24601 Center Ridge Road, Suite 200
Westlake, OH 44145-5634

The Permittee operates a TravelCenter of America truck stop in Mill City, Nevada (Pershing County), adjacent to U.S. I-80. The modification requested by the Permittee, is to replace the facultative ponds system with a denitrifying package wastewater treatment plant that is proposed to discharge, to the groundwater of the State of Nevada, up to 0.025 MGD (30-day average, 0.0325 MGD (daily maximum)) of treated domestic wastewater effluent generated in the truck stop, restaurants, and motel located at the facility. The existing ponds are unlined and the seepage of effluent to the groundwater has resulted in elevated levels of nitrate in the facility's monitoring wells. The major modification is a result of the Division's directive to install an alternate system of sewage disposal that adequately addresses and treats the domestic sewage generated at this facility. The Permittee also proposes to include two oil/water separators in this permit modification that will discharge treated stormwater and/or wash water from the vehicle parking and fueling areas to the groundwater of the State via percolation. The Division has made the tentative determination to issue the proposed permit with modifications, subject to the Schedule of Compliance requirements contained within.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on September 12, 2005, either in person or by mail to:

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The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time. The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by calling James T. Hogan, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9434; email, jhogan@ndep.nv.gov; or facsimile, (775) 687-4684.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.